

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 5-7 and 9 have been amended and claims 10-14 have been added as follows:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A disk drive comprising a turntable which has a ring-like disk receiving surface on which a disk having a center hole is to be placed and which can rotate around a rotation shaft,

a disk holding mechanism which holds said disk on said turntable,

a disk-retaining abutment member which includes a hole that does not abut against said disk holding mechanism and which has projections provided at an outer periphery of said hole and projecting toward said turntable, and

a moving mechanism which allows said disk-retaining abutment member and said turntable to relatively approach each other and separate from each other, wherein

said projections are formed by a first deformed portion formed at a position opposed to said disk receiving surface and a second deformed portion formed at a location closer to an inner peripheral side than the disk receiving surface,

the projection formed by said second deformed portion most projects toward the turntable.

Claim 2 (original): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein

a first projection is formed by said first deformed portion, a second projection is formed by

said second deformed portion, said second projection projects closer to said turntable than said first projection.

Claim 3 (original): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein
an inner peripheral end of said projection formed by said second deformed portion projects
in a direction opposite from said turntable.

Claim 4 (original): A disk drive comprising a turntable which has a ring-like disk receiving
surface on which a disk having a center hole is to be placed and which can rotate around a rotation
shaft,

a disk holding mechanism which holds said disk on said turntable,
a disk-retaining abutment member which includes a hole that does not abut against said disk
holding mechanism and which has projections provided at an outer periphery of said hole and
projecting toward said turntable, and

a moving mechanism which allows said disk-retaining abutment member and said turntable
to relatively approach each other and separate from each other, wherein
said projections are formed by a first projection formed at a position opposed to said disk
receiving surface and a second projection formed at a location closer to an inner peripheral side than
the disk receiving surface,
said second projections projects closer to said turntable than said first projection.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The disk drive according to claim [[1 or]] 4, wherein a position of said disk-retaining abutment member is fixed, said moving mechanism moves said turntable up and down, thereby moving said turntable with respect to said disk-retaining abutment member.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The disk drive according to claim [[1 or]] 4, wherein said disk-retaining abutment member is provided at a case of said disk drive or a portion of information equipment which accommodates said disk drive.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The disk drive according to claim [[1 or]] 4, wherein said projection is formed into a ring-like shape.

Claim 8 (original): The disk drive according to claim 7, wherein a width of said first projection in a radial direction is greater than a width of said second projection in the radial direction.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The disk drive according to claim [[1 or]] 4, wherein when said disk-retaining abutment member abuts against said disk, said turntable has a predetermined angle with respect to said disk-retaining abutment member.

Claim 10 (new): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein
a position of said disk-retaining abutment member is fixed, said moving mechanism moves
said turntable up and down, thereby moving said turntable with respect to said disk-retaining
abutment member.

Claim 11 (new): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein
said disk-retaining abutment member is provided at a case of said disc drive or a portion of
information equipment which accommodates said disk drive.

Claim 12 (new): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein
said projection is formed into a ring-like shape.

Claim 13 (new): The disk drive according to claim 12, wherein
a width of said first projection in a radial direction is greater than a width of said second
projection in the radial direction.

Claim 14 (new): The disk drive according to claim 1, wherein
when said disk-retaining abutment member abuts against said disk, said turntable has a
predetermined angle with respect to said disk-retaining abutment member.